## National Recovery &

## Employment Assistance Summit



## **A National Summit:**

The purpose of this Summit is to close the gaps in federal, state and local programs by reducing confusion, ensuring collaboration in care management, and to ultimately assure that wounded and injured service members and their families receive the assistance they need to return to success.

The Governor of Alabama, the U.S. Department of Labor, the U.S. Department of Defense and the U.S. Department of Veterans' Affairs, in response to the need for increased national collaboration among assistance networks, are hosting a national dialogue to highlight the issues, programs, and best practices employed at federal, state and community levels to assure the recovery and return to success of recently wounded, injured and disabled service members and their families.

The Summit is a one and a half day blend of interactive discussions and workshops designed to identify pathways for servicemembers and families to relevant programs and resources at the state and community level with the following goals:

- 1) To assure the recovery and success of returning wounded and injured service members
- 2) To strengthen collaborative effort
- 3) To identify assistance pathways across state lines and program boundaries

Participants in this national dialogue will include state Governors and their policy staff; workforce system directors; state directors of Veterans Affairs, Veterans employment and education programs; veteran service organizations; private sector organizations; military and defense agencies; and other federal and state partners that provide assistance related to the recovery, employment and reemployment of this population and those families and spouses affected by combat casualties.

LOCATION: AUBURN UNIVERSITY HOTEL AND CONFERENCE CENTER,

AUBURN, ALABAMA

DATE: SEPTEMBER 20 - 21, 2006

ATTENDANCE: LIMITED TO 250

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